

## Project

A project is a **unique** and **temporary** endeavour to **achieve** a **specific goal**. It involves development of **sw product / system**.

It is a **group of tasks** that are **carried out** to **reach** a **clear result**.

Also defined as set of input & output to achieve a goal.

**Output is a unique product / service / Result**. They **end** when **goal is achieved**.

## Operations

work done in org to **sustain business**.

Program <sup>projects</sup> set of **Related objects** managed in a **coordinated way**.

For **complex projects**, project is broken to **subproject** in which one can **organise** the **implementation** of some **specific objective** for **larger project**.

## Project Attributes

**Unique**, **temporary**, **Require Resources** such as **people**, **sw**, **hw**, **assets**, **Deadline**, **Objective**, **Customer / sponsor**

management of s/w development project  
Involves creation of project to create product / service.

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## SPM

Art & science of planning and leading s/w project.

It is integration of management techniques into s/w development. Started in 1960's.

Imp part of SE, involves planning, executing, controlling s/w to deliver high quality product on time & within budget.

Three Need:

Time, Cost, Quality

Key Aspects: Lifecycle

- Program initiation  
→ Define objective & scope, req, prepare plan.
- Project planning  
Detailed plan outlining tasks, timelines, Cost Estimation, Risks, etc
- Project Scheduling  
Schedule tasks & Allocate Resources
- Resource & Risk Management

Lifecycle stages a project go through, till completion  
each phase has its characteristics, activities & deliverables  
Help to guide project progress. Provide structure

- Communication & Reporting
- Closure & Evaluation
- Documentation
- Delivery.

Initiation  
Plan  
Execution  
Monitor & Control  
Closure

Effective SPM is needed for delivery of good s/w that meet user req. as a combination of tech skills, leadership, etc.

S/w are invisible

Risk of technology data  
SW Project

Risk of safety, env

Other Project

- specific to s/w
- Not tangible
- Not clearly defined
- No fixed production
- Easy to customize
- Easy to copy & distribute
- ~~smaller timeframe~~

Broad turn

tangible

Refine

fixed prod

Require efforts

NOT

Ex - Mobile websites

longer  
Ex - Construction,  
Manufacturing,  
Research

May / May not

Include coding  
Importance

Complexity Management : Some projects are very complex SPM is needed to carry them smoothly in dynamic env.

Characteristic of project  
obj, scope (features/func), timeframe, resources,  
budget, quality, risk, Comm, Documentation

- Resource Allocation : Resources (time, human effort, budget) should be used to full potential
  - Meet Deadlines, manage cost
  - Risk Mitigation : Every p/w involves risks such as technology changes, scope changes, <sup>new</sup> market req, etc.
  - Adapt Changes.  
SPM provide structural approach to tackle these.
- PDC → Delivery : on time delivery  
See objective & principles

## PROJECT MANAGER

A professional responsible for overseeing all aspects of project from initiation to completion.

They are essential to manage skills, allocate resources, effective comm under team & stakeholder, & ensure that project is completed within budget & delivered with high quality.

### Role

- leader - lead team & give direction
- Mediator → b/w client & team
- Mentor → in right direction

Focus on Quality, Communicates,  
Manage Budget

- Manage Risks & issues
- Planning & sequencing
- Report & Monitor progress
- Modify Plan acc to need → listen to feedback
- Solve internal problems
- Manage Budget

### Principle

- 1) Clear obj
- 2) Risk Management
- 3) Adaptability
- 4) Effective Planning
- 5) Monitoring
- 6) Improvement

### Tools & Techniques

#### Tools

- 1) Software Management Application: for planning
- 2) Product Roadmap: Track updates
- 3) Analytical tools: see how people use
- 4) version control: keep track of changes
- 5) Customer feedback Tool:

#### Techniques

- 1) Market Research
- 2) A/B testing: version testing
- 3) User perform
- 4) Usability testing
- 5) Prioritization techniques

# Spw Project Scheduling.

Process of planning & organising tasks, resource, & timelines required to successfully complete a software development project.

It is a crucial aspect of SPM to carry out specific activities in lifecycle.

## Key Steps:

- **Task identification**  $\rightarrow$  identify all tasks req. for project including planning, execution, testing, doc, deployment
- **Task Sequencing**  $\rightarrow$  Identify dependencies  $\leftarrow$  arrange them
- **Task dependencies**  $\rightarrow$  as one task may rely on other
- **Resource Allocation** to Each task
- **Duration Estimation** to complete task
- **Critical Path Analysis**
- **Monitor & Control**

- Conun
- Risk Management

It is imp for meeting project deadline, & budget, changes with time under all circumstances.

## Estimation

Objective of estimation is to provide a structured & systematic approach to determine expected cost, resource & timeline.

It is imp for 5 reasons: Budgeting, Resource Management, Risk Management, Scope Definition, Project Scheduling.

It include h/w & licensing cost also  
→ Quality Assurance - to plan things acc to quality.

↳ other points in world.

## Work Breakout Structure

It is a project management tool that takes step by step approach to complete large projects.

It involves breaking down project to smaller component & combine to form a solution.

WBS can integrate scope, cost, & deliverables into single tool.

→ Include dividing complex problem to simpler manageable, independent tasks.

→ Top Down Approach

→ Performed By project manager & Subject Matter Expert.

⊙ → Root of tree is labelled by Project Name

### Structure

→ Level 1 (Big Picture) → Name of Project

→ Level 2 → diff major phase of project

ex- planning, designing, testing

→ Level 3 → getting specific to each phase

→ Level 4 → Sometimes we need more ~~more~~ details so break them into more simpler tasks.

Why WBS is imp?

It helps everyone involved in project to understand what exactly they should do. It serves as a clear map that guides the team.

It helps with:

- Organisation → makes project easier to manage because you know what happens at each level.
- Planning → to plan how long each task takes.
- Responsibility → who is in charge of which task.
- Tracking

## Network Planning Model Scheduling / managing complex tasks

It is scheduling project activities & their relationship as a network. In this time flows from left to right.

It is essential technique for project Management for scheduling & controlling activities. They provide visual representation of tasks, their dependencies, their critical path, helping project manager to understand flow, timelines, & make informed decision.

This is done by drawing diagrams.

It uses graphic representation of techniques activities & events to visualize sequence of tasks to complete a project.

CPM

## CRITICAL PATH METHOD

deterministic model for scheduling also called critical path analysis is a network diagramming technique used to predict total project duration.

A critical path for a project is the series of activities that determine the earliest time by which project can be completed.

⇒ No of activities are fixed.

\* It is the longest path through the network diagram and has least amount of slack or float (the amount of an activity can be delayed without delaying succeeding activity).

It helps to determine most crucial tasks, dependency b/w tasks & shortest time needed to complete a task.

~~Planned~~

Activity oriented structure

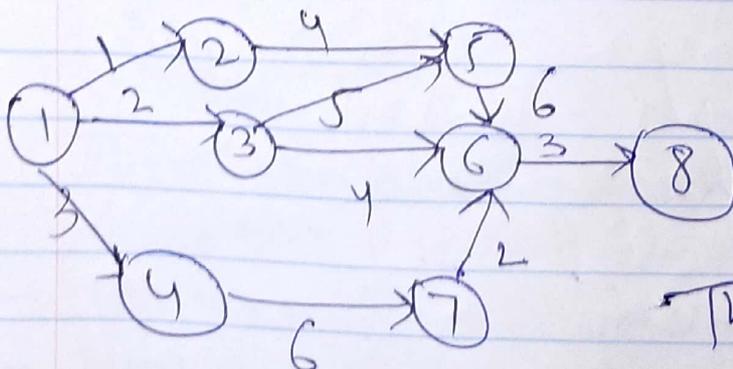
Key concepts in CPM:

- 1) Tasks & Activities - individual jobs/work need to be done to complete the project. Each task has a defined duration & may have dependencies on others.
- 2) Dependencies - tasks are connected by dependencies, which indicate order in which they should be carried out.
  - Finish to Start - B cannot start until A finish
  - Start to Finish - B cannot finish till A start
  - Start to start - B can't start till A start
  - Finish to Finish - B can't finish till A finish
- 3) Duration - estimated time to complete

### Working

CPM work by first creating a network diagram based on WBS. CP involves duration of

- all activities



longest path is  
1, 3, 5, 6, 8 = 16 days

← This is Critical Path.

longest path with shortest time

## Benefit

- Efficient scheduling - schedule more conveniently by identifying shortest pattern.
- visibility - It provides a clear visual representation of tasks
- Risk Management - Project Managers can focus on tasks & plan potentially
- Resource Allocation - ensure tasks has all resources at time of start
- Project Control - for better adjustment & progress.

# Pert Program Evaluation & Review Technique

Network Project Planning Model developed in 1950's to handle complex project used when there is uncertainty in task duration. Particularly useful for projects with more interdependent tasks where one task may take longer time due to unforeseen task factors.

N/W diagram in this are referred to as PERT charts.

It uses probabilistic time estimates i.e. duration estimates Optimistic, pessimistic instead of being specific as in CPM.

$$\text{PERT weight avg} = \frac{\text{Optimistic time} + 4 \times \text{most likely time} + \text{pessimistic time}}{6}$$

## Key Aspects

Task Duration: Each task is assigned 3 duration

- Optimistic (O) - shortest possible time task take
- Most likely time (M) - best estimate under normal cond
- Pessimistic - longest time it could take.

- Expected time - of each task by using  $\frac{O+4M+P}{6}$
- Variance - how much the actual duration of a task is likely to differ from expected.  $[\frac{P-O}{6}]^2$
- Network diagram ○ - event → → tasks.

Critical Path → Sequence of tasks that takes longest time to complete

Benefits

- Uncertainty Management → PERT is excellent for uncertain tasks, help to handle problems
- Resource Allocation - Consider Resource constraints, help allocate Resource
- Probability Assessment - for better understanding of deadline
- Complex Project Management - task Management.

**Optimistic Estimation** : When estimating task duration optimistically, project manager assume that the task will be completed quickly & smoothly with no delays.

**Pessimistic Estimation** : Calculates the longest time a project may take due to potential problems, delays, risks. Project Manager use this to identify backup plans against unexpected difficulties.

**Realistic Estimate** - PM often uses a realistic or most likely estimations which falls between optimistic & pessimistic.

**CPM**  
used to manage certain (where time is known) activities

**PERT**  
uncertain

**Deterministic Model**

**Probability Model**

**Activity Oriented** i.e diagram constructed on basis of activities.

**Event oriented** i.e diagram constructed on basis of event

For Repetitive natured jobs.

Unrepetitive

Formally defined tasks      for undefined tasks

Assumes fixed task duration      not fixed

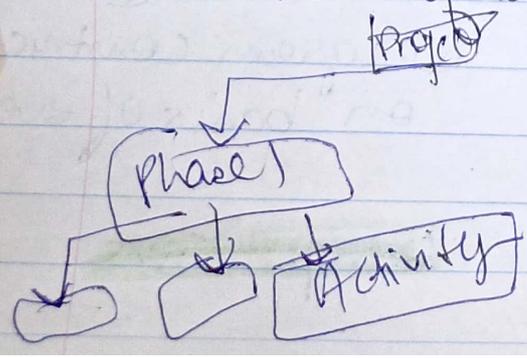
Primarily focus on task scheduling      on Resource Scheduling as Central

Calculation of Expected time not applicable      Calculated by weighted avg. of O, M, P.  $\frac{PM+4O}{6}$

Less flexible in accomodating uncertainty      More flexible in handling uncertainty

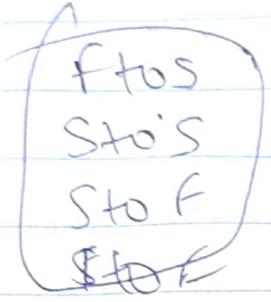
### TOP DOWN APPROACH

to SW effort estimation begins by defining high level objective & scope of project & then breaking in components in hierarchical structure (WBS). The estimate of each task added to get an initial idea of total effort needed.



# PDM

Precedence Diagramming Method is a n/w diagramming technique in which boxes represent activities. It is particularly useful for visualizing certain types of time Relationships.



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Else in PDF.

It represent logical Relationship b/w activity using n/w diagram

Use PDM when:

- Complex Task Dependencies : with multi dependency or constraint
- Logical Relationship
- Resource Scheduling : to see which tasks can run parallel based on dependencies.

## Initiation

- Define purpose, goal, obj
- Identify roles

## Planning

Detailed Plan

Visual Representation

Cost Estimation, Resource Allocation

## Execution

Put plan to action

Assigned member start their roles  
Resources used effectively

## Monitor & Control

Ensure that team remains on goal to complete target

Track progress against plan  
Manage scope

## Close

Complete all project deliverables

Create a documentation.

Check everything & deliver project on time.

# PDM

To plan & schedule task in a project

Process of showing logical Relationship b/w tasks of a project

It helps to identify which task need to be completed before starting next

We use arrows to connect tasks showing dependencies  
Explain

F to F, S to S, F to S, S to F.

## Element

- 1) Task dependency - FS, FF, SS, SF.  
PDM is all about showing how diff task depend on each other
- 2) Nodes & Arrows  
tasks are boxes & dependencies are arrows connecting tasks.

## Advantages

- Clarity
- Complex Project
- Critical Path
- Resource allocation
- Scheduling Flexibility

CPM in PDM → longest path of task in term of

# Gantt Chart

IS a visual project Management tool used to plan, schedule & track tasks & activities over time

It provides a timeline view of project showing when task start & finish, their dependencies & how they progress.

Widely used for various industries for planning & management

## SW Effort Estimation

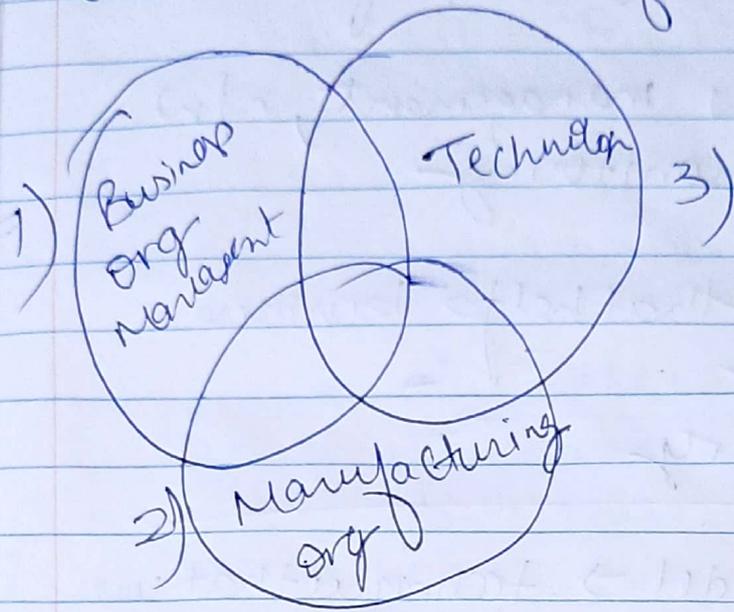
critical process that helps project managers, due to understand resources req to complete a software project successfully. It involves predicting amt of work, measured in person hours/days to complete project. Accurate effort estimation is essential for planning, resource allocation, budget management, etc.

Methods: Expert Judgement (expert make a Analogous Est (uses historical data with similar Parametric model (previous ans is used, math eq)  
Bottom-up (break into smaller comp smaller aggregated)

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### 3 Sphere Model

Conceptual framework that represent interconnectedness of 3 element of an org



1) It involves planning, organising, leading & controlling business activities to achieve goals & objectives.

• it represent top level concerns of system

It encompasses strategic planning, defining budget, ensuring rules & Regulations.

• Bg Business decision are made.

2) Manufacturing or operation organization. Actual work happens here. Here services are provided.

Focus is on production & operational aspects  
Create & deliver product of good quality

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Technology Sphere  
Concerned with technical aspects  
of managing IT system/infrastructure

Cover h/w & s/w management, n/w  
management & monitoring

Gadgets & tools that help business  
Run smoothly  
Ex - Machinery

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Parametric Model  $\rightarrow$  technique that use  
mathematical model to estimate project attributes  
such as cost, time, effort<sup>resources</sup>, etc. Also called  
Parametric Estimation Model. It use maths  
& historical data to make estimates considering  
parameters & characteristics.

Ex - To make a cake, parametric modelling consider  
ingredients & time (recipe) to make cake to predict

These model can be quite accurate when  
parameters are well defined & historical  
data is relevant

Ex - COCOMO model